UN General Assembly Meeting

†274. SHRI MOTI LAL VORA:
SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister participated in the meeting of the United Nations General Assembly, recently;

(b) if so, the names of the Heads of the States who participated in this meeting togetherwith the issues raised therein; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI YASHWANT SINHA): (a) Yes.

(b) As many as 40 Heads of State/Government participated in the 57th Session of the UN General Assembly. A number of issues were raised by them, including issues related to international peace and security, terrorism, UN reforms, human rights, development and other issues on the UN agenda.

(c) The Prime Minister addressed the UN General Assembly on September 13, 2002, and expressed India's perspectives on important issues before the UN. He called on the international community for global effort to combat terrorism and voiced concern against State-sponsored terrorism. The Indian delegation has continued to take an active part in the debate and proceedings of the UN General Assembly.

Foreign consulates in Hyderabad

275. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the United States, Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates propose to set up their consulate in Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether his Ministry has given permission for this;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.